

THIRTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

Fannin, Lamar, and Red River counties; Lamar the returning county.—William A. Evans, of Bonham, Fannin county, was born in Wilson county, Tennessee, March 30, 1830; educated at Clinton College, Tennessee; moved to Greenville, Kentucky, in 1848, where he studied law in the office of B. E. Pitman; married to Miss Sue Hampton, of Morgantown, Kentucky, May 31, 1852; came to Texas and settled at Bonham in March, 1857. Was presiding justice of Fannin county from May, 1873, to April, 1876, and county judge from the latter date to 1878; never, during the whole term of his office, having an appealed case from his court reversed. Without being a candidate, was nominated by the Democratic Convention of his district for Senator, and at the election November 7, 1882, was elected by a majority of 6811 votes over his competitor. Term expires November, 1886.